

A Resolution

NO. 3660-09-2008

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL FOR ASSISTANCE RELATED TO GAS PIPELINE JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Worth requires legal assistance and advice regarding gas pipeline jurisdictional issues; and

WHEREAS, because of the extraordinary importance of the issues raised it is necessary to retain outside legal counsel to advise the City in these issues; and

WHEREAS, S.G. Johndroe III and the law firm Cantey Hanger, L.L.P., possesses the required knowledge and expertise in gas pipeline jurisdictional issues and has agreed to represent the City;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:

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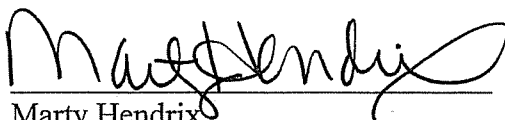
That S.G. Johndroe III and the law firm of Cantey Hanger, L.L.P., pursuant to Section 3, Chapter VI of the City Charter, is employed to represent the City of Fort Worth in gas pipeline jurisdictional issues and to advise the City Attorney in matters relating thereto.

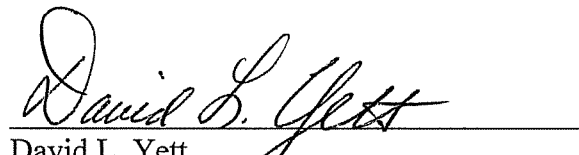
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That, as far as practicable, the compensation to be paid to S.G. Johndroe III and the law firm of Cantey Hanger, L.L.P., for his services is hereby fixed in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.

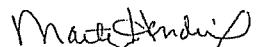
ADOPTED this 23rd day of September, 2008.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:


Marty Hendrix
City Secretary


David L. Yett
City Attorney

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL
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City Secretary of the
City of Fort Worth, Texas

CITY OF FORT WORTH

City of Fort Worth, Texas
Mayor and Council Communication

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved on 9/23/2008 - Res. No. 3660-09-2008

DATE: Tuesday, September 23, 2008
LOG NAME: 12JOHNDROE

REFERENCE NO.: **G-16281

SUBJECT:

Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Employment of Outside Counsel to Assist the City in Gas Pipeline Jurisdictional Issues

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to retain S.G. Johndroe, III, and the law firm Cantey Hanger, L.L.P., as outside counsel, pursuant to Chapter VI, Section 3 of the City Charter, to assist and advise the City Attorney regarding gas pipeline jurisdictional issues; and
2. Adopt the attached resolution fixing in advance, as far as practicable, the amount to be paid to S.G. Johndroe, III, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00.

DISCUSSION:

There are legal issues concerning gas pipeline jurisdiction on which the City needs advice. Because of the extraordinary importance and complexity of the issues raised, it is the opinion of the City Attorney that outside legal counsel, with knowledge and expertise in matters relating to gas pipeline jurisdiction, be retained to assist the City Attorney in representing the City. S.G. Johndroe, III, is a partner in the law firm of Cantey Hanger, L.L.P., and has expertise in these areas of law.

FISCAL INFORMATION/CERTIFICATION:

The Finance Director certifies that upon adoption of the above recommendations, funds will be available in the current operating budget as appropriated, of the General Fund.

TO Fund/Account/Centers

FROM Fund/Account/Centers

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\$45,000.00

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